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As discussed in the telephonic interview of May 30, 2001, please enter the attached preliminary amendment.

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please enter amended claims 2 as follows.

2. (Amended) The cell line of claim 1, wherein said reporter gene is selected from the group consisting of luciferase,  $\beta$ -galactosidase, chloramphenicol acetyltransferase, secreted alkaline phosphatase and green fluorescent protein.

## REMARKS

Claim 2 has been amended to more clearly point out the invention. No new matter has been added as a result of this amendment.

Respectfully submitted,

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